

September 19, 2016

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, September 19, 2016, in the Village Board Room. Village President Matt Bernius called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Terry Clark, Karen Good, and Dave Tiffan. Trustees Paul Pearce and JD Kuhns were absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of previous meeting minutes

The regular meeting minutes of August 15, 2016, were approved as presented.

Approve Expenditures

- T. Clark made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$40,771.88. K. Good seconded. All Trustees and President Bernius voted YEA.

Village President Comments and Announcements

- President Bernius attended a meeting last week with State Senator Chapin Rose. The Village is doing well compared to some other entities that rely on state funding.

Trustees' Reports

- T. Clark commented on the nice street milling work that has been done. He asked Superintendent Grant Corum about the Vine Street project; it is out for bid now, and there's a chance it could be done this year.
- K. Good commented on the street milling work.

Treasurer's Report

- Village Deputy Clerk Erica Carter stated petitions for next spring's election can be picked up starting tomorrow.
- This coming Saturday is the open house for the new Public Works building.
- Jim Watkins's retirement party will be held next Friday from 2p-3:30p.
- The next CIMOA meeting is October 20, and the Village is the host. Arrangements are trying to be finalized at Aikman's Wildlife Adventure.
- She commented on the financial documents.

Police Chief's Report

- Police Chief Mike Goodman stated officers were invited to attend church services on September 11, 2016. Several officers attended.
- He reported some officers completed training. Officers Kepley and Wienke completed interview interrogation training, and Officer Smith completed patrol rifle training.

Public Works Supervisor's Report

- Public Works Supervisor Grant Corum introduced Benny Durbin, a new Public Works employee.
- He reported on milling work and asphalt patching.
- He talked with Willard Herschberger about the IGA hitchrack. He is ready to do the work for the concrete floor. The Village will supply the material; the Amish will supply the labor.

Village Attorney's Report

- Marty Schroeder called wanting to do a couple wine and cheese tasting events. Attorney Kenny Crossman explained how the current caterer's liquor license worked and would not work for these types of events. He stated something could be developed for a one-time fee and apply each time. Stephanie Wierman explained an event that is in development.
- He stated letters are being sent out for ordinance violations and encroachments.

Trustees welcomed Benny Durbin.

Visitors' Comments

Visitors present were Benny Durbin, George Fritz, and Stephanie Wierman.

Old Business – None

New Business

- President Bernius recommends Andy Monts to take James Aikman's seat as Trustee. No one objected.
- Village Clerk Jennifer Perrine administered the Oath of Office to Andy Monts as a new Trustee.
- G. Fritz described activities and set up for the BBQ Festival. There are weddings downtown Friday night and Saturday. There are also three buses coming to town that day. Alternatives to using the parking lot north of the Welcome Center for the Festival was discussed. M. Goodman suggested moving teams from the parking lot to Hickory Street. K. Good made a motion to vacate the request for the Welcome Center parking lot closure for the BBQ Festival and move the street closure to Hickory Street from south of Oye's parking spaces to south of Illinois Street. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- Police Chief M. Goodman reviewed the changes in rules in the amount of cannabis (less than 10 grams) that is a civil violation. Circuit clerks encourage municipalities to develop an ordinance and handle it within the municipality. This keeps it out of the court system, and the municipality keeps the entire fine. T. Clark made a motion to accept the proposed ordinance. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

President Bernius thanked Karen Good for her service to the community and presented her with a plaque.

Adjourn

T. Clark made a motion to adjourn; K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. President Bernius adjourned the meeting at 8:14pm.

APPROVED

R. Matt Bernius
Village President

ATTEST

Jennifer Perrine
Village Clerk

DATE

October 3, 2016

